

State Senate to Probe Government Cooperation

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State Senator

Closer cooperation between local governments, with a view to greater efficiency and economy, will be the subject of a hearing by our Senate Interim Committee on Local Government in Los Angeles on Feb. 19.

More particularly the Committee, of which I am chairman, will concern itself with means by which the state may participate more fully in this local cooperation.

As a result of booming population growth in many urban areas, a number of states are showing interest in easing the problems of pro-

viding services to these hard-pressed areas by promoting closer teamwork between the state and local governments and between local governments themselves.

Here in our own county we have already achieved a degree of cooperation between county and city governments considerably in advance of what is normally to be found in other states, and in the

Bay Area surrounding San Francisco there is increasing cooperation between adjoining counties.

Where problems transcend county lines, as in the case of public transportation and air pollution, to name two, the state is the natural agency of government to assist and support local efforts, either through enabling legislation or direct participation.

In all cases the object of governmental cooperation is to make it possible for local government to keep abreast of rapid population growth with the services which they must provide.

which local government can change the cost of certain municipal services from retail to wholesale, through joint purchase or joint use of various facilities. Actually the opportunities for joint municipal action are very broad.

A beginning would be for the state to encourage cooperative efforts among the various units of local government in developing solutions to their common problems, especially in rapidly expanding areas.

The state could also serve as a clearing house for information relating to state and local problems and state and federal services available to

assist in the solution of these problems.

A third function could be to assist in coordinating the activities and services of state departments and agencies that have relationships with local governments.

Still another area of participation could be in the study and analysis of local problems with the aim of making the results of these studies available to local governments.

These are only a few of the areas where the state might participate, and our committee expects to explore them in the course of this and later hearings.

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The South Bay Club of Federated Republican Women will meet at the Fish Shanty, 4020 Pacific Coast Hwy. on Thursday, Feb. 11th. The lunch meeting is at 12:30 p.m.

James G. Law, news correspondent and analyst for many leading newspapers, will speak on "Americanism and the Republican Woman."

Law, a past commander of the American Legion and of the Veterans of Foreign Wars, is a widely experienced and versatile speaker.

His talk will be timely since he is an ardent exponent of the Lincoln ideology of the dignity of the individual man. Law has spent several years as news

analyst and evaluator for radio, with particular emphasis on international affairs and geopolitics.

He is a veteran of both World Wars, is active in American Legion activities and is Special Advisor to the Americanism Commission, Department of California.

Mrs. Donald Solberg, the new president, will introduce the chairman of the various standing committees, and will report on some of the highlights of the "Dinner With Ike" which she attended.

For luncheon reservations call Mrs. Bertha Walters at FRontier 2-2383 or Miss Maude Smith, FRontier 2-2357.

Wife of Illinois Senator To Speak Here on Feb. 16

The first in the Forum series presented by the Harry A. Shuder Memorial Committee of the Pacific Unitarian Church, Torrance, will be held Feb. 16, 8 p.m. in the auditorium of El Camino College.

Dr. Shuder served as volunteer minister to the Pacific Unitarian Church during the first 15 months of its existence.

The speaker for this occasion will be Emily Taft Douglas, wife of the senior senator,

Paul H. Douglas, of Illinois. Mrs. Douglas was once a congresswoman and now appears with her husband on weekly Illinois TV and radio programs.

According to Dr. Peter Pinto, Hollywood Riviera, who is chairman of the Memorial Committee, Mrs. Douglas has titled her talk "The Past is Prologue."

For ticket information, call Florence Pinto, FR 5-7304.



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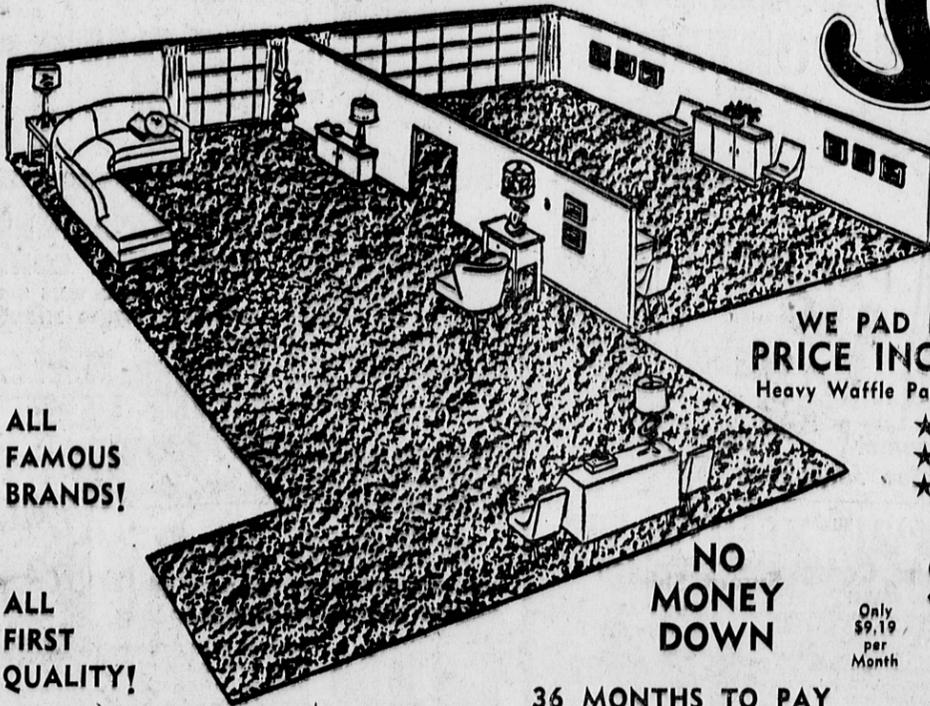
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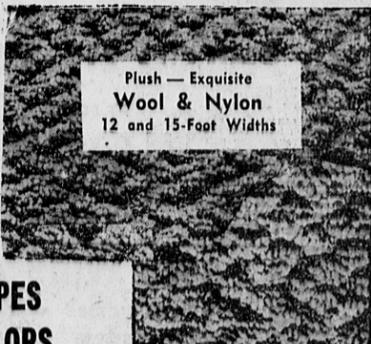
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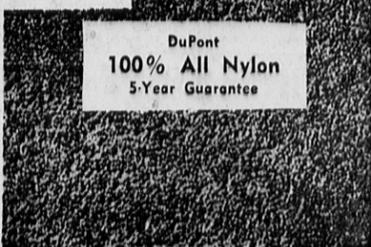
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